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**Transmittal of Continuation-in-Part Patent Application
for Filing Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)**

Box Patent Application
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application by inventor(s): Shi-Kun Huang and Samuel Zalipsky, and entitled:

LIPOSOME COMPOSITION FOR DELIVERY OF NUCLEIC ACID

1. Enclosed are:

- One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO datestamp
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- One utility patent application containing text pages 1-78 and
 - 11 Sheets of drawings
- Declaration of Inventorship
- A Preliminary Amendment

2. Amendment

- Please enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment before calculating the filing fee. It is understood that only amendments reducing the number of claims will be entered for this purpose.

3. Extension of Time

- Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing if required to establish copendency with the parent after all papers filed herewith have been considered.

4. U.S. Priority

- This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/556,056 filed April 21, 2000, which claims the priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/130,897 filed April 23, 1999; and this application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/685,940 filed October 10, 2000, which claims the priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/158,693, filed October 8, 1999.

5. Foreign Priority

Priority of Application No. filed in on is claimed under 35 USC §119.
 A certified copy of this priority document is enclosed.

6. Prior Documents Still In Effect

This application and parent application Serial Nos. 09/556,056 filed April 21, 2000 and 09/685,940 filed October 10, 2000 are assigned of record to Alza Corporation.
 Power of Attorney in the above-identified prior application is to Judy M. Mohr, Reg. No. 38,563, and the other attorneys or agents identified therein.

7. Entity Status

Large entity status applies to this application.

8. Fees

The filing fee has been calculated taking into account any amendments in section 2 above:

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Basic Fee				\$370.00	or		\$740.00	
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Independent Claims	1 - 3	0	X \$42 =	\$	or	x \$ 84 =	\$	
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Respectfully submitted,

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